(b) Nairs and Caste Hindus
(c) Christians
(d) Ezhuvas or Thiyyas
(e) Muslims
(f) Jews
and (g) others.

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(1) 219
(2) (a) 78
(b) 91
(c) 47
(d) 3
(e) 1
(f) ..
(g) ..

Mr. A. B. Salem.—May I know whether this information tallies with the quarterly returns obtained in the Huzur Office from the various departments?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—They are not quarterly.

Mr. A. B. Salem.—There are some returns.

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Yes. But they are half-yearly.

Mr. A. B. Salem.—Do these returns come?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—They do.

Officers drawing Rs. 200 and above.

479. **Mr. M. K. Raman.**—Will the Government be pleased to answer the following :—

(a) taking only officers who draw a monthly salary of Rs. 200 and above in the State Service, how many such officers are there now from

(1) Brahmins
(2) Nayars and Ambalavasis;
(3) Christians
(4) Ezhuvas
(5) Other non-caste Hindus;

(b) what is the total annual salary obtained by each of these castes ;

(c) what is the percentage of the population of each of these groups in the State ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—

(a)	1	Brahmins	25
	2	Nayars and Ambalavasis	22
	3	Christians	15
	4	Ezhuvas	1
	5	Other non-caste Hindus	..
			Rs.
(b)	1	Brahmins	1,09,581

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2	Nayars & Ambalavasis	1,10,537
3	Christians	61,440
4	Ezhuvas	2,520
5	Other non-caste Hindus	..

(c) Vide the Census Report of 1921.

Diwan Peishkar's Tour.

480. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state how many times did the Diwan Peishkar travel to Ernakulam in each of the years 1101 to 1105 and how many times to Chittur during the same period and what T. A. and daily allowance he drew each year in each case?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—

Times travelled in 1101.
Ernakulam 18, Chittur 9.
1102.
Ernakulam 17, Chittur 10.
1103.
Ernakulam 16, Chittur 7.
1104.
Ernakulam 21, Chittur 9.
1105.
Ernakulam 33, Chittur 7.

The bills for 1101 and 1102 have been destroyed. It is not possible to give accurate figures of the T. A. claimed for the journeys to Ernakulam and Chittur in 1103, 1104 and 1105, as the journeys often involved visits to other places also.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—May I know whether there was anything special in Ernakulam in 1105 for such a large number of visits?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Nothing except the needs of the Department.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—In 1101—18, 1102—17, 1103—16, 1104—21, and 1105—33. Was there anything in 1105 special for such a large number of visits?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Nothing very special.

Examinership.

481. Mr. K. J. Antony.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether the practice of distributing examinerships among the members of the Board before considering the claims of others has been often criticised both in this Council and outside;

(b) whether the syndicate of the Madras University appoints its members as examiners;

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